

## **APPROVED**

### **Board of Police Commission Regular Meeting September 24, 2013**

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman D'Errico, Commissioners Lazaroff, Monz and Calafiore, McLoughlin, Chief McLoughlin, and Deputy Chief Mulhern.

Absent: All present.

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes for the July 23, 2013 regular meeting and executive session. A motion to accept was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Calafiore. The motion passed unanimously.

The next order of business was the approval of the monthly reports for July and August. A motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Monz. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Correspondence

1. A letter was received thanking Officer Rienzo for his handling of a fatal accident.
2. The Connecticut State Police send a letter expressing thanks for the involvement of Sergeant Thorpe in DARE training.
3. East Haven Police Chief sent a letter of thanks for the support and assistance the North Haven Police Department provided during a tragic plane crash.
4. Officers Brennan and Capozzo were recognized for a talk they gave at Montowese Elementary School.
5. A Letter from a local family thanking the Department for a funeral escort.

#### Chairman's Report

Chairman D'Errico questioned the maintenance timeline for the LED traffic light replacement that will be occurring on Washington Avenue. The Chief responded that this maintenance is being handled by State DOT and the actual schedule for this maintenance is not known at this point.

The Chairman also questioned the status of the resignalization for the intersection of Broadway/Washington/St. John Street. The Chief responded that this work is scheduled for late Fall 2013 or Spring 2014.

The Chairman inquired about line painting on Maple Ave at Pool Road, and he mentioned that the painting is worn. The Chief commented that Maple Ave is maintained by the State DOT, but we will notify the State of this concern. As for the town roads, the Chief reported that many of the local streets have had the center lines repainted and the crosswalks and stop bars are being painted this week.

The Chairman commented on the fact that people are not cleaning up after their dogs in the playing fields near the middle school. The Chairman is working with the Public Works Department to secure signage for that area displaying the town ordinance.

The Chairman reported that he had received complaints from residents concerning “No Thru Truck” violations on Pool Road and Bassett Road. He discussed the limitations, and also the rights, of trucks traversing the town when these trucks are conducting business in town. The Chief mentioned that trucks originating from town or making a delivery in town are exempted from the no through truck prohibition. The Chief added that an officer can certainly stopped suspected truck violations and check the vehicle’s manifest to determine if the truck meets such exemptions.

The Chairman inquired about the availability of a list of candidates from the South Central Criminal Justice Administration recent recruit test. The Chief said that he would discuss this in Executive Session concerning personnel matters.

The Chairman wanted to know the status of the DARE program and if further contact has been made with the Superintendent of Schools. The Chief reported that he is waiting on a reply from the BOE and he will report back to the Chairman when he hears any news. The program will be removed from the Elementary Schools and modified into a Middle School program.

The Chairman inquired on the status of the replacement of the Chief’s Secretary. The Chief commented that the new job description is in the hands of the Town Attorney and we can discuss this further in the Executive Session under personnel matters.

#### Chief’s Report

Chief McLoughlin related that a non-fault cruiser accident occurred last month and the repairs have been made and the car should be in service shortly. There were no injuries reported.

A Department web site is being built and it should be rolled out by the middle of October. It will be interactive and it will allow us to better share information with the community.

The police union and PBA ran a successful fundraiser to support the Walter T. Berniere Scholarship on August 30, 2013.

The Chief commented on the 2012 Public Act that mandates that as of July 1, 2013, and no later than October 1, 2013, police officers must issue a racial profiling information card to all motorist that are stopped for violations. The card has information as to how the operator can make a profiling complaint if they perceive that they have been stopped solely because of race, ethnicity, protected class, age, religion, sex. The Chief presented a sample card to the Commissioners.

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Home Depot will sponsor a public safety day on October 5<sup>th</sup> at their North Haven store and we will have an officer present.

TIPS training will occur on October 9<sup>th</sup>. This is training for North Haven businesses with liquor permits. This awareness training is a collaboration of the Police Department, Community Services, the State Liquor Commission and DiChello Distributors.

On October 26<sup>th</sup> a “prescription take back” is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Park and Recreation. In the past, this program has been very successful and we have properly destroyed vast amounts of old and unused prescription drugs.

A Trunk-A-Treat event is being planned for the Halloween season, possibly on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Similar events were held during the past two years in an effort to preserve Trick or Treat, in response to the Blizzard and Storm Sandy. The event was well received and community efforts are being made to make this an annual event. Sergeant John Scarpa participated in the event last year and handed out candy from a police cruiser, and we are hoping to participate in this event again this year.

### Traffic Report

The Chief reported that the intersection of Mt. Carmel and Outer Ridge Road may require additional signage and a three way stop to regulate traffic movement. This is due to increased traffic and concerns from residences. Captain Genovese is working with the Hamden Traffic Authorities as one potential stop sign is in their jurisdiction.

The Chief reported that he had sent a Letter of Concurrence to the State DOT regarding Quinnipiac University and the proposed relocation of the university’s law school to North Haven in 2014. This letter was sent after review of a favorable traffic engineer report that showed no adverse impact with traffic on the local streets due to an expected increase in school traffic.

The Chairman asked if there has been any noticeable increase with calls for service at the university, and there has been none.

### Training Report

The Department is in the process of COLLECT recertification training. Two officers are also scheduled to attend an accident reconstruction course in December. This will give the Department three such qualified officers and it will be beneficial to the Regional Traffic Squad.

The Chief also reported that POSTC re-certifications for 2014 are ahead of schedule and three officers are currently attending the training this week.

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Chairman D’Errico asked for a motion to adjourn and move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. The motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Monz. The motion passed unanimously. The time was 8:00 p.m.

The Commission reconvened from the Executive Session at 8:46 p.m. and Chairman D’Errico asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Commissioner Lazaroff, second by Commissioner Calafiore. The motion passed unanimously. The time was 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Lazaroff, Secretary

Minutes by Deputy Chief Mulhern

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Present: Chairman D'Errico, Commissioners Lazaroff, Monz, McLoughlin and Calafiore, Chief McLoughlin, and Deputy Chief Mulhern.

Absent: All present.

Personnel matters were discussed.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Commissioner McLoughlin made the motion, second by Commissioner Calafiore. The motion passed unanimously. The time was 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas McLoughlin, Chief of Police